SGA providing leadership

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Lenoir Community College Student Government Association (SGA) is off to a good start this year. In September, SGA in conjunction with Greta Quinn's history class sponsored Constitution Day.

Currently, SGA is accepting canned goods/personal hygiene items in various areas on campus for the 2007 College Students Against Hunger Drive now through Dec. 13. Please assist the SGA in making this drive a successful one.

Recently, the student organization held a blood drive on campus with a goal of 40 units of blood.

"We exceeded our goal

What's Inside

and collected 61 units of blood. Thank you for your generosity in helping to 'Give the Gift of Life'," SGA advisor Samara Taft said.

The executive board attended its fall conference in October. Officers received valuable leadership skill training and are ready to bring their knowledge to our campus.

The 2007-2008 Executive Board members are Chris Bridgeforth, president; Keisha Campbell, vice president; Deana Murrell, secretary; Anthony Moore, treasurer; and Martha Rhodes, public information officer.

The SGA is here to serve you and hopes that you will



Photo submitted

Pictured, left to right, are Wayne Community College SGA President Corey Harris, LCC SGA Vice President Keisha Campbell, LCC SGA President Chris Bridgeforth, LCC SGA Advisor Samara Taft, LCC SGA Public Information Officer Martha Rhodes, LCC SGA Treasurer Anthony Moore, and LCC SGA Secretary Deana Murrell.

participate in the activities that are held on campus this year. If you have any ideas or would like more information about SGA, contact Samara Taft, advisor, at 252.233.6819 or staft@lenoircc.edu.

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Javelin Office

Room 126 BTU Building (252) 527-6223, ext. 600 lccjavelin@lenoircc.edu www.lenoircc.edu Spring is right around the corner and although the weather may not often indicate that, the academic calendar does and it is time to register for spring classes.

As current students you had an advantage by registering during the first two days of early registration before classes are open to new students. We experienced record enrollment during fall and classes fill up quickly.

More people are realizing the need for a quality education and that LCC can meet their needs. Distance education is becoming more and more popular among

students. You don't want to miss out on needed classes because you failed to register during the first two days.

As we end one semester soon and prepare for a new one, I have had the opportunity to talk with most if not all of the freshman orientation classes. For those of you who I have not met, I want to thank you for choosing Lenoir Community College. Your college has a long history of excellence and this year as we head into 2008, LCC is celebrating its 50th anniversary.

The college was first chartered as an Industrial (*Please turn to DR. BRILEY, pg 2*)



Dr. Brantley Briley LCC President

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Education Center, then as a technical institute and then, in 1964, we earned community college status. Our celebration officially kicked off in July with events scheduled each month leading up to our big birthday party April 3, 2008. This is a great time to be associated with Lenoir Community College.

During our celebration we have also initiated our Fifty for Fifty campaign with our LCC Foundation, where we hope to secure 50 new endowed scholarships for you, our students.

This will be a great addition to the LCC Foundation and will directly benefit LCC students who are serious about getting a college education and who need some financial assistance while attending LCC.

As always, my door is open to you. We want your college experience to be meaningful. If I can be of any assistance, please do not hesitate to let me know.

GAIT student receives award



Photo by Jewel Jones

First-year Graphic Arts & Imaging Technology student Jessica Meadows was recently selected to receive the PICA/Weese scholarship awarding her \$500. PICA is an association dedicated to protecting and promoting the common interest of the printing industry, and to helping their members prosper, both individually and collectively, through fellowship, education and cooperative action. Pictured, left to right, are Dwight Downie, program head of Graphic Arts and Imaging Technology and Jessica Meadows, GAIT student.



LCC RETIREES HONORED - Lenoir Community College honored its retirees for the year. LCC President Dr. Brantley Briley, far left, and LCC Board of Trustees Chair Grady Bethel, far right, presented the group with tokens of appreciation from the college. Pictured, left to right, are Briley, retirees Ella Simmons, Judy Hawkins, Mary Tyndall, Diane Hill, Janice McElhaney, and Bethel.



Photo by Richy Huneycutt

LCC EXCELLENCE AWARDS - Celebrating excellence among faculty and staff, Lenoir Community College recognized its excellence award recipients. LCC President Dr. Brantley Briley, far left, and LCC Board of Trustees Chair Grady Bethel, far right, presented each recipient with awards from the college. Pictured, left to right, are Briley, Excellence in Teaching Adjunct Faculty Award winner Dorothy McFalls, Excellence in Professional Support Award winner Dr. Shirley Dove, Excellence in Teaching Award winner Katrina Hinson,

Emory elected to board

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lenoir Community College Director of Community Service Phoebe Emory was elected as a member of the board of directors of The North Carolina Community College Adult Educators Association at its fall conference recently. She will serve as the Community Service Representative on the board for a three year term. The NCCCAEA Board of Directors is responsible for adopting policies, procedures, and guidelines as needed to ensure the continuing responsible and effective operation of the association.



Phoebe Emory

Ronald Jones Making his dreams come true!

BY RANDI TAYLOR

Ronald Jones began attending Lenoir Community College as a Basic Skills student in January 2007. He was was one of 14 children and because there were so many siblings who needed his care, he quit school to provide for the family.

Jones did as his father had done before him; he felt bringing in an extra income was more important than attending school. He took various jobs, working in chicken houses, harvesting tobacco, picking cucumbers and blueberries, any job that would contribute to the family's income.

His mother encouraged all of her children to go to school, but if her children did not attend school, she insisted that they get a job. Getting her children to work was how she prevented them ordering a meal in a restaurant, were difficult and confusing. He would always order the same meal at a restaurant. Even if he didn't like the meal, he would eat it to avoid the embarrassment of letting someone know he could not read.

The pencil was more

frightening than any weapon. He was petrified if someone handed him a pen or pen
frightening than arrow "Through God's help and my determined attitude I chose not to give up."

cil to fill out a form. Jones recalled that on one day he went to the post office to get a money order. Because he knew the staff would expect him to fill out a form, he faked a sore hand by covering it with a stocking. Once in the post office he asked the lady at the counter to fill out the form, and once again

the workplace and his experience of being around motivated and positive people, Jones decided he was going to accomplish something he had always wanted to do,—learn to read. He wanted to become a literate man.

He had watched his two daughters, Patrice and Mati-

cia, excel throughout high school and college. Now it was his turn. He wanted to be proud of himself and prove to his family ould learn to read

that he could learn to read and excel academically.

He came to LCC after talking with Tom Salter, a member of the LCC Board of Trustees. An educator and retired principal, Salter encouraged Jones to register for Basic Skills classes. Jones was introduced to a personal tutor, Ann Warren. She volunteered her time to work with him, one-on-one.

After a few months of tutoring, he entered an ABE class on campus. Like a sponge, he absorbed all the reading materials offered to him. It was no easy feat for a man who worked third shift and more than 40 hours per week.

"Through God's help and my determined attitude, I chose not to give up," he said.

In August of 2007, Jones was tested and scored a 3.8 grade level in reading. He had accomplished his dream of literacy.

While at LCC, he has enjoyed the challenges and experiences he has encountered. The best part of his experience, he said, are caring teachers like Misty Wiggins, who support him in following his dreams.

The respect and encouragement of other students toward Jones is extraordinary.

Many of his classmates

will readily assist him if he needs them. In fact, nine-year old Mason Wiggins, Wiggins' son, is so impressed with Jones' courage and dedication that he sends words of encouragement and reading materials to him.

Jones has set other goals, as well. He intends to continue learning and he plans to complete his GED at LCC. "I realize that learning is a life-long process," he said, "and the future holds no limits if you're dedicated to your goals."



Photo by Richy Huneycutt

Basic Skills instructor Misty Wiggins, left, takes a moment to assist her student, Ronald Jones.

from getting into trouble. His mother, according to Jones, was a loving mother and her love and dedication have helped to mold him into the man he is today. Jones sacrificed his education to provide for his siblings; all of them finished high school.

Life before literacy was horrifying for Jones. He said he felt he had to live a lie. Simple things that most people take for granted, like he escaped embarrassment. He knew that he could not continue to hide his illiteracy. He knew that he would eventually be caught and his secret began to worry him. What was worse, new technologies were being integrated into his job, and he knew that eventually he would have to understand and operate within those new technologies.

Due to new advances in

The Culinary Challenge

BY JUDITH SHAW

In early November, LCC Culinary Program Head Jeff Yourdon served as host to "Tasting the Good Life" in the Waller building at LCC. This was the first local event bringing together such a wide variety of cuisine and talent. Notable "chefs of Eastern North Carolina" assembled in the culinary addition for the pleasure of the general public and the friendly rivalry of competitors.

The general public attended for a fee of only one dollar, which also entered everyone into a grand prize drawing donated by Food Lion. Competitive categories included appetizer, dessert, entrée, and soup.

The Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce and Lenoir Memorial Hospital were proud sponsors of this event, which hopefully can become an annual fixture of our growing culinary program.



LCC set the stage for Oliver

Cast of Oliver

Mitch Butts-artistic director
Clay Whittington-musical director
Mickey Adams-Mr. Bumble, the workhouse beadle
Laura Barnes-London citizen
Taylor Barrow-orphan/Fagin's gang
Bridgett Baysden-Bett, a lusty barmaid
Noah Bibus-orphan/Fagin's gang
Evan Daigle-Bill Sykes
Sherri Ezzell-Nancy
Taylor Ezzell-the Artful Dodger
Aaron Francis-orphan/Fagin's gang
Ariana Francis-orphan/Fagin's gang
Bonnie Heath-London citizen
Jonathan Heath-Oliver

Christian Henderson-orphan/Fagin's gang
Andrew Hill-Noah Claypool
Anna Hill-orphan/Fagin's gang
Maria Hill-orphan/Fagin's gang
Holly Holder-orphan/Fagin's gang
Katie Howard-orphan/Fagin's gang
April Howard-Nurse/Barmaid
Anne Johnson-Widow Corney
Elliott Jones-Charlie

Elliott Jones-Charlie
Jared Jones-orphan/Fagin's gang
Camryn Koonce-orphan/Fagin's gang
Victoria Kosinski-orphan/Fagin's gang
Megan Manning-orphan/Fagin's gang
Aliyah Moore-orphan/Fagin's gang
Ryan Moore-orphan/Fagin's gang
Tina Moore-mother/London citizen

Cole Braden-infant
Rick Servis-Fagin
Abbey Shimer-orphan/Fagin's gang

Bekah Shimer-orphan/Fagin's gang Lynn St. John-London citizen Erin Stewart-orphan/Fagin's gang Hannah Strachan-Charlotte Teresa Sumner-London citizen

Beverly Taylor-Old Sally narrator **Kim Turnage**-Mrs. Sowerberry/Mrs. Brownlow **Scott Whittington**-orphan/Fagin's gang

Laura Young-London citizen Alaina Seachris-London citizen



Don't miss!

Ebenezer

December 13-15 8:00 p.m.
December 16 2:00 p.m.
Tickets: \$10 at the door
\$8 in Advance
\$6 Seniors and Students with ID

Waller Building, Lenoir Community College, Kinston NC

Ebenezer takes the stage in December –

BY RICHY HUNEYCUTT

The Lenoir Community College Playmakers will be presenting "Ebenezer: A Christmas Carol," a musical stage play based on A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens with music, lyrics, and book by Frank P. Trimble at 8 p.m. Dec. 13 through 15 and at 2 p.m. Dec. 16 in the Waller Auditorium.

Vocal arrangements are by Kristin Graf and orchestration and soundtrack instrumentation by Rodney Ingle.

The LCC production will be the ninth time the show will have been staged, marking the first North Carolina production outside of Wilmington and the first on a college/ university campus.

The show was produced by The Thalian Association, Inc., in Wilmington, December 1995, 1996, and 1998. The Wilmington Community Arts Center Accord produced the show in 2001 and 2002. All performances were

held on the main stage at for the Arts.

"What I found about Mitch is that he expects the best the Thalian out of everyone, but espe-Hall Center cially himself," he said. "He would look to me for Performing criticism."

In December 2005-2006, Ebenezer was staged by the Little Compton Community Theatre in Little Compton, RI. The show is currently being produced by Theater Direct of Tiverton, RI, with performances slated for December 6 through 9 of this year.

Trimble, professor in the Department of Communication Studies at the University of North Carolina in Wilmington, is no stranger to the theater. A published author, performer, choreographer and director, he is living his dream of writing and performing while teaching others his craft.

It was the learning envi-

ronment and his craft that brought Lenoir Community College's Director of Theatrical Productions Mitch Butts and him together.

Fresh out of the Air Force and looking for a director, Butts was a student at UNC in Wilmington. Trimble was the advisor for the college's Forensics Team and he encouraged Butts to join and compete in the public speaking arena.

"He did it for the trophies," Trimble laughed.

"Seriously, everything I've known and learned, I've learned from Frank," Butts said. "He put me on stage. He put me on the speaking team. He is my mentor."

Trimble said he

remembers the first time he met Butts. "It was my first

> teaching, right out of graduate school. I was the advisor for the forensics/debate team. What I found about Mitch is that he expects the best out of everyone, but especially himself," he said. "He would look to me for criticism."

Butts and Trimble have maintained their relationship through the years as friends and professionals in the cultural performing arts arena.

Trimble holds a bachelor of science and masters of science in Speech Communication from Southern Illinois University. He has taught numerous courses such as Performance of Literature Rhetorical Theory, Documentary Film: Theory and Production Directed Individual Study, Public Speaking Honors in Communication Studies, Advanced



Photo by Richy Huneycutt

Mitch Butts, left, discusses "Ebenezer" with his mentor and playwright, Frank Trimble.

> Public Speaking Internship in Communication Studies. Impromptu Speaking Intercollegiate Forensics, and **Business and Professional** Communication Introduction to Communication Studies.

> Besides Ebenezer: A Christmas Carol, Trimble has written original and DVD scripts such as Beneath the Airlie Oak, DVD program produced by New Hanover County, NC, as an educational and advancement program for Airlie Gardens, 2007, HIV-Related Stigma in Five Voices, an educational DVD designed as a health education tool for HIV-positive women, based on interviews conducted between 1991 and 2002 with 1,780 HIV-positive women, Duplin Voices: An Adaptation of The Duplin Story, a commissioned work for Duplin Outdoor Drama, Inc., to celebrate the 250th anniversary of Duplin County, produced in 2000 in

Kenansville, and Fly Wright!: The Story of Two Brothers with vocal arrangements by Kristin Graf and orchestrations and soundtrack instrumentation by Rodney Ingle.

Trimble said his proudest work was that of Fly Wright!: The Story of Two Brothers. He has also directed and choreographed 31 productions and has appeared in 30

performances.

As a director, Trimble knows the power of an author. "An author makes you read it," he said. "When I direct a show, if you give the audience everything, the audience has nothing left to the imagination."

Butts said as a student and as a peer, he remembers Trimble's patience. "As a teacher, coach, director, he had great patience to get what he wanted from people.

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Playmakers set busy schedule

BY JUDITH SHAW

For Lenoir Community College's 50th year anniversary, the LCC Playmakers, led by Mitch Butts, are showcasing 11 plays in 11 months. This daunting feat will showcase four musicals, which includes a world premiere. The Playmakers most recently produced Oliver in late October. This is the seventh time that Butts has produced the play, which was cast with 40 actors.

Butts is a Mount Olive native, who returned to North Carolina with an impressive 30 year resume. Some of his credits include numerous commercials, films, and stage productions. In addition to his acting credentials, Butts is also a certified pastry chef who enjoys making wedding

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Minority Mentoring Program

It is a campus organization designed to offer activities and resources available to enhance the personal and professional development of minority males at

Lenoir Community College

"Building Male Success Stories ~ One At A Time"

for more info please contact: Darlene Lang-Koonce (252) 527-6223, ext. 343

Ian Stevens at ext. 369

Student News — October Students of the Month

BY RICHY HUNEYCUTT

Lenoir Community College students Jayson Rivera of

Kinston and Marsha Price of Pink Hill have been named the October Students of the



Jayson Rivera

Month at LCC.

Rivera is described as a very conscientious person who pays attention to detail. An aspiring physicist, he has a 3.7 grade point average at LCC. He plans to transfer to a four-year university and study theoretical physics. He is a member of the Student Government Association and has held the position of public information officer. He is currently serving as an SGA senator and is a member of the LCC Science Club. He is very involved in his community and education.

"He is to be commended for his leadership potential and entrepreneural skills," according to those who nominated him.

After spending most of her life caring for family members, Marsha Price decided to begin pursuing her educational goals. While caring for her family, Marsha Price naturally decided nursing was the career she wanted to pursue. However, it had been 26 years since she was in school when she earned her GED.

She knew she would have to update her skills so she enrolled in a Keytrain class at the Lenoir Community College Jones County Center where she earned the Silver level of the Career Readiness Certificate.

Price didn't stop there. She also took all the Human Resource Development (HRD) computer classes that were offered, a Spanish class, CNA I class, Physical Therapy, Pharmacy Technician, and HRD accounting and banking pathways classes. In the Microsoft Office class she

took this past summer, she was the winner of a class flyer contest and her flyer is currently used to advertise some of the LCC Jones County Center classes.

Price finally reached her goal of attending college to become a nurse and she is attending LCC where she currently has an A average in all her classes. "She is a role model for other students and she brightens the days of

evervone she encounters," according to those who nominated her. For



Marsha Price

more information

about how you can achieve your goals through the LCC Jones County Center, contact the LCC Jones County Center Director Renee Sutton at 252-448-5021.

November Students of the Month

BY RICHY HUNEYCUTT

Lenoir Community College students Ivey J. Hill, Jr., of Kinston and Noah E. White of LaGrange have been selected as LCC's November Students of the Month.

Hill is a Biology major at LCC and plans to pursue his education at a four year university. He is a biology and chemistry laboratory assistant at LCC and also works as a tutor in the science area. With a 4.0 grade point average, Ivey is described by his instructors as reliable, independent and a careful worker. "The students appreciate his willingness to help and the way he explains

things," said one instructor. White is an Associate Degree Nursing student with a caring attitude and helpful

Ivev J. Hill

nature towards his fellow students. He is an active member of the Nightingale's Nursing Club at LCC.

Married, he and his wife have two sons who are actively involved in Cub Scouts where White volunteers. He and his family are members of LaGrange Church of God. Before attending LCC and having to work full time with East Care. White volunteered with North Lenoir Volunteer Fire Department. "He is a sound academic student in our nursing

program who has initiative to learn," said one of his instructors.



Noah G. White

Both students are recognized by the Lenoir/Greene United Way for their contributions to their communities.

Administrator endows scholarship in memory of parents

FROM STAFF REPORTS

George "Bud" Vick, Jr., knew early on that he and his siblings would be going to college—his parents' commitment to education made sure of that.

"My father placed a strong expectation on his children that they would achieve a college education, and all did," Vick said.



George Vick

Because of that commitment, Vick established the George E. and Betsy P. Vick Memorial Scholarship as a way to help a student with financial need and scholastic ability who may not otherwise be able to attend college.

The Vick scholarship is part of the LCC Foundation's Fifty for Fifty campaign at LCC by establishing 50 new endowed scholarships during the college's 50th anniversary.

Vick is the vice president of Administrative Services at LCC. Not only was he a graduate, but he served as the college's registrar and dean of Student Services. "I have seen first hand the value of education," he said. "Many of our students would not be able to attend college if it were not for scholar-ships."

Vick said his father gradu-

ated from Duke University in the early 1930's in Business Administration. "He always had a strong sense of the need for a good education," he said. "He worked his entire career as owner and operator of the Kinston Laundry Company. He was well known and very involved in his community."

Vick's mother, Betsy Patterson Vick, was a product of



Betsy P. Vick

the Great Depression and for her, college was not an option. She went to work out of high school, eventually married and raised six children. After her children were grown she started a career, working many years with the American Red Cross.

"Only after she retired did she begin pursuing college classes at Lenoir Community College," he said. "She thoroughly enjoyed her association with the college, its faculty and students. It is likely she would have achieved her desire for a college education but her health did not allow it."



Parents' commitment to education honored with scholarship

FROM STAFF REPORTS

There are many reasons people endow scholarships at Lenoir Community College. Some to honor family and others to memorialize loved ones, but whatever the reason, the end result is the same—someone will be able to attend college who may not otherwise have the opportunity.

LCC Dean of Arts and Sciences Dr. Kim Turnage and her sisters wanted to honor their parents' commitment to education by establishing the Ronald and Ellen Turnage Memorial Scholarship. Lenoir County natives, Turnage said her parents were proud of the fact that their county was one of the first in North Carolina to have a community college.

"Throughout my life, my parents encouraged me to go to school and make good grades, with the ultimate goal of attending college. They were extremely proud of me when I returned to Lenoir County and began working at the college in 1990," she said.

After her parents' deaths in November of 2005 and March of 2006, Turnage began thinking seriously of endowing a scholarship in her parents' name.

"It means a great deal to me to know that as long as Lenoir Community College is standing, there will be a student every year who receives a scholarship in my parents' names," she said. "Even when I am dead and gone, even when my sisters are no longer here, my parents' names will be remembered. They would be so happy to know that every year a student was able to go to college because of them. My father played baseball in high school and



Ronald and Ellen Turnage

was offered a scholarship to attend college; however, the year was 1942 and the draft and World War II changed all that. By the time the war was over, my father was in his early twenties, engaged to my mother, and looking for a job so that they could

get married. Education was important to them."

For more information on the LCC Foundation Fifty for Fifty campaign, contact LCC Director of Institutional Advancement Jeanne Kennedy at 233-6812.

Parents honored with endowed scholarship

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lenoir Community College Tutorial Lab Coordinator Lisa Shaw says she knows she is blessed by working with students of differing backgrounds.

"I have been "I feel more blessed employed by to know I am able to LCC for more than 15 years make a positive now and for difference in people's each year that lives by what I do." passes I feel more blessed

to know I am able to make a positive difference in people's lives by what I do," she said. "It is such a joy to see the positive outcomes from giving."

Because of the blessings she has received, Shaw decided to establish a scholarship in memory of her parents, Bill and Betty Stump. The Betty and Bill Stump Memorial Scholarship when fully endowed will be awarded annually to a student enrolled in the Aviation or Art Program who demonstrates academic aptitude, participation in school/community activities, and who shows some financial need.

The Stump scholarship is part of the LCC Foundation's Fifty for Fifty campaign

at LCC by establishing 50 new endowed scholarships during the college's 50th anniversary.

"It has been 13 years since my mom died, and when my dad passed away two

> years ago, I felt overwhelmed and bewildered," Shaw said. "My parents were so

important to me. I couldn't believe they were both gone and that no one would



Bill Stump

continue to profit from their knowledge and creativity," she said.

"My parents exemplified good work ethics and high moral standards in life. Dad was a B-24 Liberator pilot

in WWII; after the war, he returned to Lehigh University to obtain his Ph.D. He became a research chemist working at DuPont for 34 years,' Shaw said. "Shortly after marrying, both he and mom were volunteers in scouting and also for our church youth group. Dad had a lot of enthusiasm for working with young people in the Civil Air Patrol in Kinston."

Shaw said her mom was a gifted artist and taught her and her brother to paint and draw from an early age. "She was one of the founders of the Kinston Arts Council and an officer in the January 1965 charter membership. Like dad, mom also continued her education studying art all along the Atlantic seaboard," she said.

"They both undoubtedly knew the importance of giving to others. It is because they placed a great value on education that I decided this scholarship would be the ideal tribute to them."

Shaw said she will always remember her parents and the impact they made on her life, but she wanted a way for others to benefit from



Betty Stump

their lives.

"So I learned exactly how an endowed scholarship works. The benefits from an endowment have the potential to grow by leaps and bounds," she said. "It is simply a joy to be able to give someone the opportunity to go to college and it is not unfeasible that the honored student may one day choose to make a difference for others because of their fortuity. I am also hopeful that others who are able will be inspired to make the choice to endow a scholarship!"

For more information on the LCC Foundation Fifty for Fifty campaign, contact LCC Director of Institutional Advancement Jeanne Kennedy at 233-6812.

Administrator selected for state leadership

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Dr. Deborah Grimes, director of Planning, Research, and Institutional Effectiveness at Lenoir Community College, has been selected to participate in North Carolina Community College Leadership Program's (NCCCLP) class of 2007-2008.

A graduate of Lenoir Community College, Grimes earned a bachelor of science degree in special education, a masters in education degree, and a doctorate degree in educational leadership in higher education at East Carolina University. She earned

certifications in the Education of Persons with Severe/ Profound Mental Retardation LaGrange. She is a member and in Exceptional Children's of the State Employees As-Program Administration.

Grimes teaches part time in the area of Childhood Development and Teacher Education. She has developed and taught courses in Human Growth and Development; Home, School, Community Relations; and Children with Exceptionalities.

Prior to coming to LCC, she was the assistant principal at South Lenoir High School, director of Quality Improvement at Caswell Center,

and administrator of Howell Centers of Bear Creek.



Dr. Deborah Grimes

sociation of North Carolina, Kappa Delta Phi International Honor Society in Education and Outstanding Student Honor Society.

She has served on numerous committees at the state level and has been a presenter at several national conferences. Grimes is active in the community by serving as South Lenoir High School PTA president and as a member of the Lenoir County Chamber of Commerce. She is a member of Southwood Memorial Christian Church where she is director of the

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Sports News-

Lenoir Community College

Women's Basketball 2007-2008 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School
5	Sarah Hudson-Sorrell	So.	PG,G	5'5"	Boone, NC	Oak Hill Academy
10	Andrea Barber	Fr.	G,F	5'9"	Beulaville, NC	East Duplin
11	Chelsea Atkinson	Fr.	PG,G	5'5"	Wilson, NC	Wilson Hunt
15	Desiree Pickett	So.	PG,G	5'4"	Jacksonville, NC	Jacksonville
25	Larrisa Henderson	Fr.	G,F	5'7"	Jacksonville, NC	Northside
32	Ciara Crawford	Fr.	C	6'0"	Kinston, NC	North Lenoir
33	Carla Miller	Fr.	F,C	5'9"	LaGrange, NC	North Lenoir
34	Hannah Lunt	So	F,C	6'0"	Charlotte, NC	Oak Hill Academy
44	Katrina Brown	Fr.	F,C	5'9"	Newport News,VA	Warwick

Lenoir Community College

Men's Basketball 2007-2008 Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School
1	Miguel Starkey	Fr.	PG	5'8"	Kinston, NC	Kinston
2	Bryan Burrell	Fr.	PG	6'1"	Raleigh, NC	Stevens Prep
3	Dewayne Beamon	So.	PG	5'6"	Goldsboro, NC	Eastern Wayne
4	Elijah Thomas	Fr.	F	6'2"	Morehead City, NC	West Carteret
5	Kurtis Hackney	Fr.	G	5'7"	Arapahoe, NC	Pamlico County
10	Jerry Moore	Fr.	PG	6'3"	Bolton, NC	East Columbus
11	Jamel Madison	So.	F	6'5½"	Brooklyn, NY	Sanderson
12	Anthony Bruton	So.	PG	5'9½"	Kinston, NC	Kinston
14	Everett Sherrod Jr.	Fr.	G	5'9"	Kinston, NC	Kinston
25	Neil Robinson	Fr.	F	6'2"	Raleigh, NC	Sanderson
32	Roderick Reid	Fr.	F	6'1"	Snow Hill, NC	Greene Central
33	Justin Kennedy	So.	G	6'2"	Snow Hill, NC	Mt. Calvary
42	Zenas Mclucas	So.	F	6'5"	Angier, NC	Harnett Central
44	Tanner Carnes	Fr.	F	6'4"	Ayden, NC	Ayden-Grifton
50	Jamel Hall	Fr.	F,G	6'2"	Bladenboro, NC	West Bladen
55	George Murray Jr.	Fr.	F	6'3"	Yanceyville, NC	Bartley Yancey Senior

Women's Volleyball ends season

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The season is over for the Lady Lancers Volleyball Team with a region record of 8-10 and an overall record of 10-12.

The team was under the coaching direction of Sheri Brinson.

The returning sophomores this year were Maccabe Foy, Thomasina Gray, Rand Moulton, co-captain, Lyndsey Phillips, and Angelica Pousson, co-captain.

Athletic Director Lind Hartsell said the college wishes each of the sophomores well in their future educational endeavors.

"We hope to see the following freshmen to return next year," Hartsell added.

They are Sara Pike, Lauren Hudson, Heather McMenamy, Nikki Garner, Kiona Bowen, Jamie Sample, Alyssa Pousson, and Brittany Sanders.

Coach Brinson was selected as Region X Coach of the Year. Congratulations Coach Brinson!

Lenoir Community College

Men's Basketball 2007-2008 Team



Photo by Jewel Jones



Pictured are front row, left to right, Bryan Burrell, Jamel Hall, Rodrick Reid, Miguel Starkey, Anthony Bruton, Kurtis Hackney; and back row, left to right, Jerry Moore, Neil Robinson, Tanner Carnes, Zenas Mclucas, Jamel Madison, Justin Kennedy, Elijah Thomas, and Coach Bobby Dawson. Not pictured is Dewayne Beamon.

Sports News-

Lenoir Community College Women's Basketball **Schedule 2007-2008**

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	Date Opponent		Time	Place		
25	October		6.00 DM	HOME		
	rnurs v embe i	Chowan University (scrimmage)	6:00 PM	HOME		
4	Sun		2:00 PM	Dalaish NC		
4 7	Wed	Peace (scrimmage)		Raleigh, NC		
		Methodist University (scrimmage) Caldwell Technical CC	6:00 PM	Fayetteville, NC		
10	Sat Mon		2:00 PM	Caldwell, NC		
12		Central Carolina CC	6:00 PM	HOME		
14 17	Wed Sat	Louisburg Junior College*	6:00 PM 3:00 PM	HOME HOME		
		Tidewater CC				
18	Sun	College of Southern Maryland	1:00 PM	HOME		
21	Wed	Mt. Olive College JVs	6:00 PM	HOME		
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	cembei Sat		2.00 DM	Naufalla VA		
1		Tidewater CC	3:00 PM	Norfolk, VA		
3	Mon	Central Carolina CC	6:00 PM	Sanford, NC		
5	Wed	Brunswick CC*	6:00 PM	HOME		
8	Sat	Patrick Henry CC	2:00 PM	Martinsville, VA		
9	Sun	Clinton Junior College*	2:00 PM	Rock Hill, SC		
15	Thurs	Caldwell Technical CC	2:00 PM	HOME		
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8	Sun Tues	Spartanburg Methodist College*	6:00 PM			
		Louisburg Junior College*		Louisburg, NC		
19	Sat	Clinton Junior College*	2:00 PM	HOME		
20	Sun	Wilkes CC*	1:00 PM	HOME		
23	Wed	Brunswick CC*	5:00 PM	HOME		
24	Thurs	Denmark Technical CC*	5:00 PM	HOME		
26	Sat	Wilkes CC*	1:00 PM	HOME		
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_	Sat	Louisburg Tournament	TBA	Louisburg, NC		
8	Fri	Wilkes CC*	7:00 PM	Wilkesboro, NC		
9	Sat	Clinton Junior College*	1:00 PM	Rock Hill, SC		
12	Tues	Louisburg Junior College	6:00 PM	HOME		
15	Fri	Denmark Tech. CC*	5:00 PM	Denmark, SC		
16	Sat	Spartanburg*	1:00 PM	Spartanburg, SC		
20	Wed	Brunswick CC*	5:30 PM	Brunswick, NC		
22	Fri	Spartanburg Methodist College*	7:00 PM	Spartanburg, SC		
23	Sat	Denmark Technical CC*	3:00 PM	Denmark, SC		

February 27 - March 1

Region X Tournament TBA Wilmington, NC

* Region X Games

Colors: Columbia Blue & White Coach: Farrah Owens Athletic Director: Lind Hartsell Mascot: Lancers Phone: 252.527.6223 x 206

Student Activities Coordinator: Samara Taft President: Dr. Brantley Briley Phone: 252.233.6857

Lenoir Community College Men's Basketball **Schedule 2007-2008**

	Dat Oct	e Opponent t ober		Time	Place		
l	22	Mon	Cherry Point MC (scrimmage)	7:00 PM	Havelock, NC		
ı	26	Fri	Charis Prep. School (scrimmage)	7:00 PM	Wilson, NC		
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l	7	Wed Seymour Johnson AFB (scrimmage)		7:00 PM	HOME		
1	16	Fri	Johnston Community College	7:00 PM	Smithfield, NC		
1	18	Sun	Mt. Olive JVs	4:00 PM	Mt. Olive, NC		
	28	Wed	Patrick Henry Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	Dec	cember					
	1	Sat	Surry Community College	3:00 PM	HOME		
	3	Mon	Mt. Olive JVs	7:00 PM	HOME		
	6	Thurs	Louisburg College	7:00 PM	Louisburg, NC		
	8	Sat	Patrick Henry Community College	4:00 PM	Martinsville, VA		
	16	Sun	Community College of Baltimore County - Dundal	k 1:00 PM	HOME		
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	Jan	nuary					
	7	Mon	Johnston Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	9	Wed	Roanoke-Chowan Community College	7:00 PM	Murfreesboro, NC		
	14	Mon	Guilford Tech Community College	7:00 PM	Greensboro, NC		
	16	Wed	Cape Fear Community College	7:00 PM	Wilmington, NC		
	19	Sat	Clinton Junior College	4:00 PM	HOME		
	23	Wed	Brunswick Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	26	Sat	Wilkes Community College	3:00 PM	HOME		
	27	Sun	Rockingham Community College	2:00 PM	HOME		
	30	Wed	Louisburg College	7:00 PM	HOME		
February							
	4	Mon	Roanoke-Chowan Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	8	Fri	University of South Carolina - Salkehatchie	7:00 PM	Walterboro, SC		
ı	19	Sat	Aiken Technical College	5:00 PM	Aiken, SC		
	13	Wed	Cape Fear Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	15	Fri	Denmark Technical College	7:00 PM	Denmark, SC		
	16	Sat	Spartanburg Methodist College	3:00 PM	Spartanburg, SC		
1	18	Mon	Guilford Tech Community College	7:00 PM	HOME		
	20	Wed	Brunswick Community College	7:00 PM	Supply, NC		
	23	Sat	Rockingham Community College	2:00 PM	Wentworth, NC		
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Region X Tournament @ Cape Fear CC TBA Wilmington, NC

* Region X Games

Head Coach: Bobby Dawson Colors: Columbia Blue & White Assistant Coach: Tad Parson

Athletic Director: Lind Hartsell Mascot: Lancers

Student Activities Coordinator: Samara Taft Phone: $252.527.6223 \ge 206$ President: Dr. Brantley Briley Phone: 252.233.6819

Computer engineering focuses on training

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Lenoir Community College Computer Engineering Technology program has been a successful program for several years now. This program focuses on training students with the skills to install, service, and maintain computers, peripherals, networks, microprocessors and other computer-controlled equipment.

The CET program, headed by program director David V. Jones, has included training in both hardware and software with emphasis on oper-

ating systems concepts to provide the student with a well rounded view of computer systems.

The CET coursework includes mathematics (algebra and physics, digital electronprogramming

of PLC's (Programmable Logic Controllers), upgrade and repair of PC, and programming Boe-Bots, which uses stamp technology, a very popular technology in use today in such devices as cellphones, microwaves, etc.

Students in the Computer Engineering program are also members of the CET club, which gives the freshman and sophomore classes a chance to interact with each other and students at other programs at LCC in such events as the Fall Festival and the Spring Joust.

This year the CET club elected its new officers for the upcoming 2007-08 school year. These officers are Patrick Morgan, president; Chris McMahon, treasurer; James



Photo by Richy Huneycutt

Pictured are the Lenoir Community College Comtrigonometry), puter Engineering Club officers for 2007-2008. Left to right, front row, are David V. Jones, club advisor, Chris McMahon, treasurer, Aaron McGarther, vice ics, DC/AC cir-president; back row, Patrick Morgan, president; Steven Jones, secretary, James Newcomb, reporter, cuit analysis, and Glenn Alan, instructor.

> Newcomb, reporter: Aaron McGarther, vice president; Steven Jones, secretary with David V. Jones serving as the club's advisor.

UNIFI DONATES **EQUIPMENT TO ECHS**



Unifi recently donated science lab equipment to the Lenoir County Early College High School housed at Lenoir Community College. The equipment was valued between \$30,000 and \$50,000. Pictured are Martha Deitz, ECHS Science teacher, and John Carpenter of Unifi.

HEALTH SCIENCES FACULTY ON THE MOVE



Photo submitted

LCC Health Sciences instructors Susan Whitley and Becky Foyles recently traveled to Texas for training on the new Laerdal simulation equipment. The two-day course provided hands on training for the Sim Man/Sim Baby manikins that were purchased by a grant. The simulation manikins are designed to assist educators in planning, facilitating and providing realistic scenarios while operating the most advanced simulators.

Lenoir Community College Presents the 10th Annual DIVERSITY DAY **PROGRAM Essay Contest**

50 Years of Diversity

Submit a 500 word essay about this topic to the Dean of Students in the Administration Building by January 14th at 9AM.

First Place Winner receives \$100.00 Second Place Winner receives \$50.00 at the Diversity Day Program on January 18th, 2008.

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I never heard him raise his voice. To him it was the finished product."

Trimble said he was his own worse critic. "What I try to instill in people is the celebration of the work," he said. "When people come to rehearsal prepared and ready to work, it's your best work."

His style as a director is collaborative and it's literature based. "Show me your idea, but I need to know where it came from," he said. "Once the script is done, don't improvise. It's the work that's important."

Trimble said that it was exciting for him to have his work serve an organization's purpose and to have his friend Butts bring it to life at LCC.

"This is a real honor for me to bring my mentor's work to our stage," Butts said. "He made me what I am in theater and I'm passing it on."

Alumni News

Graduate says LCC changed his life

BY RICHY HUNEYCUTT

Dr. William Edward Perry, formerly of Kinston, did not take a straight road to Lenoir Community College when he graduated from Grainger High School years ago, but he'd tell you that coming to LCC changed his life and for the better.

Perry headed off to North Carolina State University after high school only to "flunk out. I was too young, too immature for State," he said. He returned home and enrolled at LCC where he was able to turn his academic life around – the second time around at LCC. While at LCC, he went to work at Lenoir Memorial Hospital in the lab.

He obtained great academic success at LCC because

of the giving, caring instructors.
One of his instructors, Beverly
McKay, made a lasting im"With I knew interest inter

a lasting impression on his life. "She was one of the first instructors I had some interaction with who really believed in me and encouraged me," he said. "She recognized that I was working hard and I never forgot that."

After a brief stint at LCC making what Perry called "lackluster grades," he headed off to the U.S. Navy where he served from December 1967 to February 1972. While there, he found his interests in the medical field. "The Navy pushed me in the medic field and I admired the doctors I worked with in the field."

After his service, he decided to pursue a medical career and returned to LCC, this time serious to make a change. "That's when I did so well," he said. "The Navy was the big change."

After doing well, Perry transferred to East Carolina University where he graduated in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemis-

> try. He took his first year of medical school at ECU and transferred to the University

of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. He chose family medicine and began his residency at Scottsdale Memorial Hospital in Scottsdale, Arizona.

"With family medicine I knew I would interact with patients more than the specialists," he said. "I enjoy that interaction."

While that interaction is a highlight, he said it is probably also one of the most challenging aspects of his career. "Dealing with lifethreatening illnesses is a challenge," he said. "It's the emo-

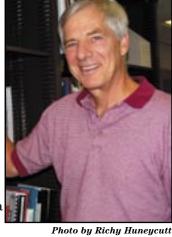


Photo by Richy Huneyer
Dr. William Perry

tional aspect for families that is difficult."

Perry graduated fourth in his class, quite a different ending to an academic story that started off rocky. "My point is that you can get a good foundation at LCC to pursue whatever you want to do."

As varied as his educational road, his career has taken the same path. He started a family practice in September 1981 in Chandler, Arizona where he worked for 17 years. He then left private practice to work overseas and has traveled to the South Pacific, Russia, and Austra-

lia. He returned to Prescott, Arizona, and worked another

five years before retiring.

He and his wife of 10 years, Lori, are currently traveling in South America. His wife is a drug representative, and attended Arizona State University. "She walked into my office and it was one of the few times I wanted to meet with a drug representative,"

he said. "She is the love of my life, sent from God."

Thinking back to his time at LCC, he said the college gave him the vehicle and opportunity to do what he wanted to do in life.

His advice for current students is simple. "Attend class and pay attention," he said. "It can truly change your life."

Perry said there is no doubt that LCC changed his life. "As LCC celebrates its 50th birthday, my wish would be that it continues for an additional 50 years of changing lives," he said.

World water monitoring day observed



"With family medicine

interact with patients

more than the special-

I knew I would

Photo by Richy Huneycutt

Pictured, left to right, are South Lenoir High School students Mary Kathryn Howard, Troy Smith, and Caleb Ard.

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lenoir Community College, Smithfield Packing and South Lenoir High School recently partnered together for World Water Monitoring Day held at the Nature Center. Students from South Lenoir High School's Ryan Gardner's AP Environmental Science class participated in testing water samples from the Neuse River.

LCC Environmental Science/Water Resources Management Program Head Pete Onidi, along with Smithfield Packing Environmental Coordinator Charlie Prentice, assisted the students.

For more information on the Environmental Science/Water Resources Management Program at LCC, contact Onidi at 527-6223, ext. 328.

Club News

LCC PBL and leadership in action

FROM STAFF REPORTS

The LCC Mu Omega chapter of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) recently returned from its National Leadership Development Conference (NLC) held in Chicago Illinois. Counting "Chi Town," LCC PBL has won national recognition for the last six years. The National Honors journey started with Nashville in 2002, and has continued through Dallas, Denver, Orlando, Nashville, and Chicago. This year's stop will be in Atlanta, Georgia.

At Chicago competition, Brandon Andrews brought back the medal. He won second place in Cyber Security, fourth place in JAVA Programming, and fifth place in C++. This was also Andrew's last year to compete. Any computer majors out there ready to carry the torch?

This year's chapter president is Sharon Miller. She is the staff assistant in the Foundation Office. Vice

president is Ashley Shaver, a night student, and a new recruit this year. These officers are preparing for another exciting year of LCC PBL and to help them with their planning, they'll be attending their fall leadership conference in November.

LCC PBL is always looking for new recruits. Many of you were formerly associated with a club in high school such as FBLA or DECA. PBL is the college level organization of both; but you may ask "how can PBL help me now?"

Imagine building a portfolio of documented accomplishments as a complement to your academic experience.

During a job interview, you can demonstrate how you served in a leadership position for the largest business based student organization in the world. At the same time, you will have entered one or more professional

competitive events where you have finished as the very best in the nation.

If you are interested in developing leadership, communications, and team skills or simply looking for an organization to meet and network with others at the local, state, or national levels, PBL is the organization for you.

This year the state conference/competition will be held in Raleigh, April 10-13, and our national conference will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, June 20-24, 2008.

Any student with an interest in business is eligible to join, if you're interested, contact Walter Martin at wmartin@lenoircc.edu or call 527-6223, ext. 105 or 613. You can also drop by the Bullock Building, room 128A and pick up a membership application.

For more information on PBL visit www.fbla-pbl.org and the NC Web site at www.ncpbl.org.

LCC Phi Beta Lambda needs you!

Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is a national organization for business students at the college level. The organization's basic purpose is to provide opportunities for students to develop competencies for business occupations through an extension of the classroom.

Some of the features of Phi Beta Lambda are:

- Develop those "success" characteristics necessary for the business world.
- Members attend conferences and compete in a wide variety of subjects.
- The national organization is comprised of more than 12,000 members, while the North Carolina State Chapter has more than 800 members in 30 plus local chapters at colleges and universities across the state.

Join, work hard, network, complement your résumé, and have a great time.

LCC students make connections

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lenoir Community College Cisco Networking Academy first semester students recently upgraded the network infrastructure of several classrooms located on the main campus.

The students, under the direction of Networking Technology instructor Gail Edwards, performed a variety of tasks that included pulling new network cabling, terminating patch cables, and testing cables for connection errors.

The Networking Technology curriculum prepares students to install and support networks and develop strong analytical skills and extensive computer knowledge.

Course work includes

extensive hands-on experience with networks. Classes cover media types, topologies, and protocols with installation and support of hardware and software, trouble-shooting network and computer problems, and administrative responsibilities.

Graduates should qualify for positions such as: LAN/PC administrator, microcomputer support specialist, network control operator,

communications technician/ analyst, network/computer consultant, and information systems specialist. Graduates should be prepared to



Photo submitted

Pictured, left to right, front row, are Stephen Gillette, Aidan Cruz, Brantley Houston, Michael Johnson, Chris McMahon, and Rocky Sowers; back row, James Newcomb, Eric Brown, Patrick Morgan, Stephen Davis, and Roderick Reed. Not pictured are Rodney Heath, Shauna Futrell, senior leaders, and Gail Edwards, instructor.

sit for certification exams which can result in industryrecognized credentials.

For more information, contact Edwards at 527-

6223, ext. 611 or email at gedwards@lenoircc.edu.

Early college gets good report card

BY JEFFERSON GARVEY

I recently had the opportunity to talk with Wynn Whittington, former principal of the Early College Program at LCC, and get a better understanding of the program. The Early College Program is designed to help prepare adolescents for the workforce they will face once they graduate from high school.

In the society we inhabit today, education is vital to achieve the level and quality of life we all want. This program not only provides these kids with an avenue to graduate, it also will provide that diploma and an Associate degree at the same time. For five years of hard work and persistence, these teens can get six years of education. In my initial meeting with Whittington I could see the zeal he has for this program. He overflows with enthusiasm like a proud father. This is a hands-on approach and Whittington and his faculty seem to like it that way.

The Early College Program is designed to target

first generation college students, children whose parents never attended college. In its inaugural year, this program contains 51 students.

These students are chosen through a process which is fair to all applicants. End of grade tests are a factor, communication skills and writing scores are vital, and attendance and discipline are mandatory.

This screening process allows for the program to function at its best, although the staff is the ultimate goal provider. With such a small class, one-on-one assistance is available for the students and "going unnoticed is less likely," according to Whittington.

Not only do these students get that much-needed specialized time with their teachers, they also get the chance to experience the job field through internships.

Many businesses within our county and other counties have given of their time to provide a chance for these youngsters to experience the real world. Internships of up to 15 hours give students the opportunity to see what they will do in their chosen job field.

Whittington and his staff have total dedication and belief in the Early College Program and are doing all within their means to make it possible for these kids to have the best advantages.

"The program's excellent start comes from the students themselves and the cooperation of Lenoir Community College for being so receptive to this program," says Whittington.

Early College is providing a unique service for the future of our community. The students and staff deserve LCC's support, because certainly, some day soon, these students will help to support the next generation.

Editor's Note: Wynn Whittington accepted the position of principal at Kinston High School shortly after the interview. Mr. Lee Downey is the principal of the Lenoir County Early College High School. LCC Welcomes Mr. Downey to his new position.

Earn college credit for your valuable work experience!



For more information about Co-op opportunities, stop by the Co-op/Job Placement Office Room 134 Administration Building

Therapeutic massage grads open business

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lenoir Community College graduate Vickie Maslin knew exactly what she wanted to do after graduation. She opened her own business—Maslin's Therapeutic Massage, a successful business since 1999 when she graduated from the Therapeutic Massage Program at LCC.

Two years later, Bruce Maslin followed in her footsteps and earned his massage license and joined the company making it a husband and wife team.

The LCC Therapeutic Massage classes were offered in the evenings and on weekends for the convenience of those students who had daytime jobs. The Maslins are North Carolina Massage Board licensed and nationally certified to perform therapeutic massages. They have maintained their licenses by taking Continuing Education classes as required under state law and national certification requirements. This has added to their skills and massage techniques by learning new types of massage to aid

their clients in relieving their stresses and other tensions.

LCC Therapeutic Massage Program Head Gay Cox said that Vickie is a member of the Massage Class Advisory Board and attends the annual meetings at the college. Bruce serves as a substitute massage instructor as need arises.

"We are appreciative that LCC has such a program so close to home so as to get their education at a local convenient location, with night and weekend classes," the Maslins said. As a husband and wife team they have established a great base of clientele ranging from homemakers to all types of professionals. Their training allows them to bring relief to the customers as well as have a profitable part time job that has allowed them to travel the world and has allowed them to enjoy the fruits of their labors.

For more information on the Therapeutic Massage Program, contact program head Gay Cox at 527-6223, ext. 810.

PLAYMAKERS

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cakes when the opportunity arises.

The LCC Playmakers is comprised of actors who are generally cast among various plays. There is always



Photo submitted **Mitch Butts**

a need for new additions to the company. Potential cast members do not need to possess an acting background, or be musically inclined.

The only requirements are a desire to perform in at least two shows, and lending a hand to the technical side of at least one production. This will give individuals first pick at roles before open cast calls are made. The theatre company is comprised of students from LCC, as well as residents from the community. Butts encourages additional students to join the Playmakers.

With each year, the theatre company is gaining additional community support. Earlier productions used to play to an audience of 30 people. Butts recalls how the Playmakers performance of Annie was performed to near full capacity audiences. The caliber of shows that are produced at LCC would garner more than \$100 per ticket in a larger venue; however, the admission price of \$8 to \$10 is a steal here in Lenoir County. Discounts are available for seniors and children.

Shows are scheduled eight to 10 months in advance so that individuals will know what their responsibilities will be. Rehearsals are held to accommodate everyone's hectic schedule. Some are held during the work week, or on Saturday.

Two success stories emerging from the Playmakers are Clay Whittington, the music director, who spent this past summer touring with the largest outdoor drama company in America, and Amanda Kennedy, who performed in the Playmakers version of Nunsense and has moved to New York City to pursue acting.

The company is always in need of costumes in the form of hats, wigs, and slightly worn clothing. Donations are also welcome. Royalties must be paid for each production, which run in the thousands of dollars range per play, along with the cost of books and sets. Donations should be sent through Dr. Kim Turnage's office in the Arts and Sciences Department here at LCC.

Butts teaches reading, writing, and poetry at LCC. Future plans are to offer an Associate in Fine Arts (AFA) in Drama, which will include acting skills, technical, set design, lighting, costume, and make-up side of drama.

DR. GRIMES

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Children's Church.

Participants for the program were selected through a competitive application process. They will attend workshops and seminars for the next six months covering topics such as diversity, conflict resolution, and leading through change. Grimes joins 35 other participants, representing 24 North Carolina community colleges.

The NCCCLP trains and develops future community college leaders.

Health Science student graduates



2007 SURGICAL TECH GRADS - The Lenoir Community College Surgical Technology Class of 2007 recently graduated in a special ceremony at the college. Pictured, left to right, are front row, Krystal Smith, Amber Eubanks, Brenda Comer, Cynthia Faulkner, Leslie Sellers, and Gloria Raynor; and second row, Ashley Waddell, Amber Harris, Treva Barnes, Shemica Brown, Amber Davis, Angela Perry, and Kari Meeks.



2007 PRACTICAL NURSING GRADS - The Lenoir Community College Surgical Technology Class of 2007 recently graduated in a special ceremony at the college. Pictured, left to right, are front row, Dawn Rogers, Tossa Morgan, Amanda Jones, and Donna Lee; second row, Jacquetta Stringfield and Christy Hoffman.



2007 THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE GRADS - The Lenoir Community College Therapeutic Massage Class of 2007 recently graduated in a special ceremony at the college. Pictured, left to right, are Becky Koonce, Miranda Fredriksen, Patrice Hill, and Merry Anderson.